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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1650**

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Ralf M. Luche and Bo Wei  
Application No. : 09/527,376  
Filed : March 16, 2000  
For : DSP-2 DUAL-SPECIFICITY PHOSPHATASE

Examiner : SLOBODYANSKY, Elizabeth  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office Action dated February 20, 2004, please extend the period of time for response one month to expire on June 20, 2004. Enclosed are a Petition for an Extension of Time and the requisite fee. Please amend the application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.